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1. Verses of the Elder Saṃkicca

- 597.** "What is your purpose in the forest, dear son, like the Ujjuhāna mountain in the rainy season;
The Verambha winds are delightful to you, for solitude is indeed for meditators.
- 598.** "Just as the high-altitude wind drives away the clouds in the rainy season;
Perceptions draw me towards seclusion, connected with the perception of seclusion.
- 599.** "The dark one, egg-born, wandering about the charnel ground as its abode;
It arouses mindfulness in me, regarding the body, based upon dispassion.
- 600.** "Whom others do not protect, and who does not protect others;
That monk indeed sleeps happily, without expectation towards sensual pleasures.
- 601.** "With clear waters and broad stones, frequented by yak-tailed deer;
Covered with water moss, those rocks delight me.
- 602.** "I have dwelt in forests, in grottoes and caves;
In remote lodgings, frequented by beasts of prey.
- 603.** 'May these living beings be killed, be slaughtered, may they reach suffering';
I do not know of any thought, ignoble, connected with hate.
- 604.** "The Teacher has been attended upon by me, the Buddha's teaching has been fulfilled;
The heavy burden has been laid down, the conduit to existence has been uprooted.
- 605.** "For whatever purpose I went forth, from home into homelessness;
That purpose has been attained by me, the destruction of all mental fetters.
- 606.** "I do not delight in death, I do not delight in life;
And I await the time, like a hired servant earning his wages.
- 607.** "I do not delight in death, I do not delight in life;
And I await the time, fully aware, mindful."

... The Elder Saṃkicca...

The Chapter of Elevens is concluded.

The summary therein:

The elder Saṃkicca alone, with obligations fulfilled, without mental corruptions;

In the Chapter of Eleven, the verses are eleven too.



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